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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to a Restriction Requirement dated February 25, 2005. With the extension, a response is due on or before June 25, 2005. The fee for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is \$ 1,020.00.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of this and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s)

transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. (003602-0003). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

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